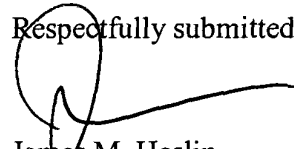


**REMARKS/ARGUMENTS**

An error in the drawings as filed is being corrected. The drawing specification refers to only Figs. 1-9. Figs. 9-12, as filed, were superfluous. Fig. 13 as filed should have been numbered Fig. 9. A new Fig. 9 has been submitted.

Entry of this amendment is respectfully urged since it merely cures a formal defect in one of the claims and does not touch the merits.

Respectfully submitted,



James M. Heslin  
Reg. No. 29,541

Attachments: *Replacement Drawing Fig. 9*

TOWNSEND and TOWNSEND and CREW LLP  
Two Embarcadero Center, 8<sup>th</sup> Floor  
San Francisco, California 94111-3834  
Tel: 650-326-2400  
Fax: 415-576-0300  
JMH:jke  
60039991 v1